

movement quickly led to her promotion to office manager. She joined the Office and Professional Employees International Union Local 11 and was an energetic advocate for office secretaries as part of OPEIU's executive committee.

Though she had no experience with the labor movement prior to joining the Northwest Oregon Labor Council, Judy became a tireless activist for union causes. She volunteered for political campaigns, coordinated the council's Speakers in the Schools program, and appeared before the Oregon legislature to testify for improved job safety. She also graduated from Union Counselor course at Labor's Community Service Agency and served as chair of the IBEW and United Worker's Federal Credit Union.

In 1998, Judy was the first woman elected to the position of the Northwest Oregon Labor Council's executive secretary-treasurer, heading the largest central labor council in Oregon. During her tenure as executive secretary-treasurer, she has led over 100 constituent unions in promoting workers' rights through times of economic growth and decline.

Judy will be retiring in September and plans to return to Montana, where she was raised. Oregon will be losing an important voice for workers, but I hope that Judy is able to have some well-earned relaxation. I want to thank her for her service to the labor community here in Oregon and wish her and her family all the best.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. MICHAEL R. TURNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 21, 2009*

Mr. TURNER. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 594, had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

#### KOREAN WAR VETERANS RECOGNITION ACT

SPEECH OF

### HON. ENI F.H. FALEOMAVAEGA

OF AMERICAN SAMOA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, July 20, 2009*

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of House Resolution 2632 which encourages the display of the American flag on July 27 honoring National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day.

I want to commend Mr. CHARLES RANGEL of New York for introducing this important resolution further promoting the national recognition of the veterans who fought valiantly in the Korean war. I would also like to recognize the cosponsors for their strong support of House Resolution 2632.

From June 25, 1950, to July 27, 1953, American troops were involved in heavy combat on the Korean peninsula against the invading forces of North Korea and the People's Republic of China. For 3 grueling years, our troops battled alone many other nations' troops in defending the peninsula from being enveloped wholly by communism.

Today, there are roughly 2.3 million veterans still alive today. These men have served our

country at its time of greatest need and have protected our Nation's best interests. It is imperative that our Nation recognizes the service of these veterans and we must honor them with the raising of the American flag on July 27.

As a Vietnam war veteran myself, I personally appreciate the service of my fellow servicemen of the United States Armed Forces. I realize that the sponsor and my good friend Mr. CHARLES RANGEL is also a veteran of the Korean war. He courageously led troops behind enemy lines for 3 days instead of surrendering to the enemy. It is necessary that we honor and remember many of those who fought bravely alongside my good friend. It is important that my fellow veterans from the Korean war are given the utmost respect for their valor and courage.

I would like to once again, thank Mr. CHARLES RANGEL and the cosponsors for creating and supporting this piece of legislation honoring the veterans of the Korean war by raising the American flag on July 27. I strongly urge my colleagues to support this resolution.

#### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE AP- PROPRIATIONS ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

### HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 21, 2009*

Mr. POE of Texas. Madam Speaker, as a former judge who has had the misfortune of observing the life-shattering effects of crimes of sexual violence on the victims as well as their friends and families, I rise today to highlight the importance of the National Sexual Assault Hotline programs in supporting the victims in their recovery from these terrible crimes. An estimated 1 in 6 women will become a victim of sexual assault or rape in her lifetime; and the FBI ranks rape as the second most violent crime (second only to murder, which is classified as the most violent crime).

According to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), which conducts an annual crime survey of the nation's households, we have made some progress in the fight to end sexual and domestic violence over the last two decades. But statistics also suggest that we still have much work to do: at least 200,000 Americans are sexually assaulted each and every year, and only about 40 percent of rape victims ever come forward and report the attacks against them to the authorities, according to DOJ.

Research suggests that those who receive crisis intervention support and counseling services are more likely to cooperate with law enforcement in pressing charges against their attackers. That is why it is so important that we continue to support programs, such as the National Sexual Assault Hotline programs, which help ensure that rape victims (as well as their friends and family members) can receive the information and support services that are so vitally important in one's full recovery from an assault. The National Sexual Assault Hotline, accessible toll free around the clock at 800-656-HOPE, has helped more than 1.2 million callers since the Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN) created the telephone hotline in 1994. RAINN continues to operate this telephone hotline today, in partner-

ship with close to 1,100 affiliated rape crisis centers located in every state and the District of Columbia, as well as thousands of volunteers across the nation.

In 2006, RAINN also launched the National Sexual Assault Online Hotline, accessible at [www.RAINN.org](http://www.RAINN.org), which has helped close to 30,000 people since its inception. It is the first web-based hotline of its kind for rape victims, offering information and support to those who might be reluctant to pick up the telephone and dial for help. The online hotline, which RAINN created and operates with the assistance of staff at its headquarters in Washington, D.C. and volunteers located around the nation, is designed to reach additional populations (particularly teenagers, males, and even people living in rural, sparsely populated areas) who might not otherwise seek out necessary information and support.

Our colleagues in the Senate specifically recommended \$300,000 for RAINN to carry out the National Sexual Assault Hotline programs, which are federally authorized under Section 628 of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act, in fiscal year 2010. Appropriations leaders in this chamber, however, omitted to include a specific amount of funding for RAINN in the House version of the fiscal year 2010 Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations Act (H.R. 2847).

I will note, however, that the full House Appropriations Committee, during its consideration of H.R. 2847, did approve report language that is directed specifically at RAINN. This language, which is part of House Report 111-149, calls on the U.S. Department of Justice to continue supporting programs, including hotline programs, that facilitate the delivery of confidential recovery services to rape victims. The inclusion of this committee report language is significant, as it signals Congress' intention that victims of sexual violence should continue to be able to access the National Sexual Assault Hotline programs and the other programs that Congress has authorized RAINN to carry out, with the support of the Office of Justice Programs at the U.S. Department of Justice.

Madam Speaker, I want to thank the members of the Appropriations Committee for accepting this report language, at the request of myself, Congresswoman WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, and other members of this chamber. I also want to express my interest in continuing to work with the House and Senate leadership on a final version of the Commerce, Justice Appropriations Act that will ensure that RAINN receives the level of federal support that is necessary to continue operation of the National Sexual Assault Hotline programs in fiscal year 2010.

#### HONORING MARGARET SANGER

### HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 21, 2009*

Mrs. LOWEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to submit an article highlighting the life and work of Margaret Sanger authored by Dr. Ellen Chesler, distinguished lecturer at Hunter College of the City University of New York and Director of the Eleanor Roosevelt Initiative on Women and Public Policy.